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Minnie Driver gives birth to a boy

World's fair backers get booster shot

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EXPO Two familiar faces from the Alberta Legislature will be soon be jetting off to Spain, to join Mayor Stephen Mandel in a hunting and gathering expedition in the race for the 2017 world's fair.

Aboriginal Relations Minister Gene Zwozdesky and Municipal Affairs Minister Thomas Lukaszuk will be in Zaragoza, Spain from Sept. 6 to 16, to find out how to convince Expo execs to bring the world to Edmonton in 2017.

"We're going to learn everything we possibly can about staging an Expo and ... we're going to teach about Edmonton and Alberta and what a wonderful place it would be to hold an Expo," Lukaszuk said.

The 10-day trip will cost taxpayers nearly \$40,000, an expense Lukaszuk says is justified.

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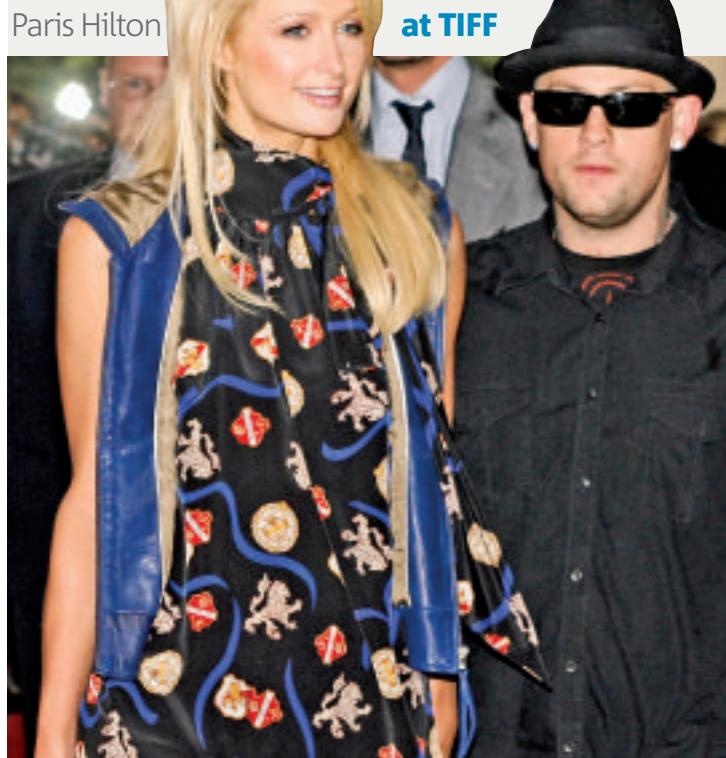


Jays' streak at 10

Paris Hilton

at TIFF

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Paris Hilton and her boyfriend rocker Benji Madden arrive at the premiere for the film *Paris, Not France* at the 33rd Toronto International Film Festival yesterday. The documentary follows the day-to-day life of the hotel heiress turned icon turned business woman.

Granny charged with whacking cop

ASSAULT An 80-something grandmother has been charged after she allegedly whacked a city cop with her cane this week.

Employees at the Aurora Motel on 151 Street and 111 Avenue were having problems Monday afternoon removing the 81-year-old and her three unregistered guests, includ-

ing her granddaughter, who were allegedly causing trouble in one of its suites. Police asked the group to leave, but after the only male in the group left, a woman and her granddaughter became belligerent towards officers, said police spokeswoman Karen Carlson.

One of the women fled

from cops briefly as they were writing out trespassing tickets, but as soon as they attempted to bring the woman under control, the grandmother smacked one of the officers on the shoulder from behind with her cane, police said. Lillian Peacock is charged with assaulting a police officer.

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Crown prosecutor Diane Hollinshead. "It's clear from psychiatric assessment he thinks the children are consenting with this and it's OK."

Hollinshead described Dant's collection as "organized, methodical and varied," some of which included images of bondage situations, where a child was tied down and vulnerable.

His arrest and conviction is in part of a massive international child porn investigation, dubbed "Operation Koala."

So far 2,500 customers in 19 countries have been identified, and more than a million files and photos have been found. Over 20 children between the ages of nine and sixteen have been identified.

"We have to sort through graphic images, which are destroyed at the end of the day," said an Integrated Child Exploitation (ICE) Unit officer who investigated the case. "I'm quite pleased with the outcome today."

18 months for kiddie porn bust

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A 59-year-old Edmonton man will be spending the next 18 months behind bars for his role in an international child pornography ring, a Provincial Court judge ruled yesterday.

Barry Geoffrey Dant sat sullen with his arms crossed as the court heard details about his involvement in purchasing "tailor made" child pornography from a supplier in Europe.

Court also heard that though Dant has denied any sexual contact with children, he shot of photo of a friend's young daughter standing up in the bathtub. In total, police seized over 400 videos and 1,200 images from Dant's computers. Investigators also seized a pair of children's panties from his home.

"He does not see this as victimizing children or harm to children," said

sex offender

- He's also ordered to provide a DNA sample, and will be a registered sex offender for the next 20 years.
- He's also banned from dating or marrying a woman with children under the age of 16.



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Local scientists part of massive experiment

The world's most powerful particle accelerator, the Large Hadron Collider, starts up in Switzerland this morning. The U of A's Centre for Particle Physics helped build ATLAS, the largest of the four particle detectors at the \$9-billion collider. **METRO EDMONTON**

Local



Sir Elton graces Edmonton

Saturday night's all right for listening to Sir Elton John at Rexall Place. The pop hits town with his endless catalogue of hit songs: some trashy, some iconic, some just plain silly. Sir Elton has sold more than 200 million records and has more than 50 Top 40 hits. Elton has won five Grammy awards and one Academy Award. He was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1994 and knighted in 1998.

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Tragedy highlights danger

Toddler's death raises concerns about backyard ponds

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Families with young children considering adding a water feature to their yards should avoid ponds, a landscaping manager said yesterday, one day after a 14-month-old toddler drowned in an outdoor decorative pool.

Better to go pondless where water is flowing

"This is definitely a concern for a lot of parents that come through here."

Brent Scott

with no free-standing water for anybody to fall in to, said Brent Scott, a manager with Canar Rock & Landscape Supplies.

"This is definitely a concern for a lot of parents that come through here," said Scott.

The baby boy reportedly

walked through the backdoor of the house unnoticed near 39 Street and 35 Avenue around 6:30 p.m. Monday night before falling into a decorative pond.

Jill McCormick, a spokeswoman with Edmonton Emergency Medical Services

says the tot was pulled out of the pond and was suffering from cardiac arrest, along with being unresponsive when paramedics arrived.

Paramedics performed CPR as the baby was rushed to the Grey Nuns Hospital where he later died, said McCormick.

Grief councilors with Edmonton Victims Services have been called in to help the family.



Strathcona NDP candidate Linda Duncan speaks with four-year-old Brynn Parliament yesterday at her campaign kickoff event.

Duncan kicks off campaign

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includes a stint as chief of enforcement for Environment Canada — says that a greater federal government presence is needed to tackle issues of economy, health care and energy resource management.

"It's all about ensuring that our economic development is secure, and we're going to ensure a clean, healthy environment for our children and grandchildren," she said.

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LAUNCH

Edmonton-Strathcona NDP candidate Linda Duncan officially launched her campaign headquarters yesterday afternoon, and drew in a crowd from all walks of life.

"There was such diversity," Duncan said. "From a little girl starting her first day of kindergarten to senior citizens from the community."

Duncan — whose resume

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Man dies after collision with semi

FATALITY Morinville RCMP are dealing with a second death on area highways in just five days.

Over the Monday noon hour, a pickup truck traveling northbound on Highway 44 collided with a semi truck making a wide left-hand turn ahead on the roadway.

It appears that the Ford F-150 pickup truck hit the se-

mi from behind, while the big rig was attempting to make a wide turn into the Morinville Hutterite Colony.

Both the 39-year-old man behind the wheel of the pickup and his 61-year-old female passenger were rushed to hospital by ambulance. The passenger died en route to the hospital.

Only last Thursday, a van collided head-on with a

tractor-trailer unit on Secondary Highway 633.

"It is a lot in a short time," said Morinville RCMP Cst. Jaime Clayton.

At the time of Monday's crash, roads were dry and there were no conditions impeding visibility.

No charges have been laid in either incident.

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Hands off our oil: Stelmach

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Leave the West's oil alone because it's an economic driver for Canada, warned the premiers for Saskatchewan and Alberta during a joint cabinet meeting in Lloydminster yesterday.

After already scolding party leaders Monday over election promises made to cap oilsands developments some claim is a threat to Canada's environment, Premier Ed Stelmach told reporters the air quality is still better than most cities across the country.

"Ninety-nine per cent of the time, the air is a better quality than in the very same city where the person who is complaining the most lives in," said Stelmach who was possibly making a swipe at NDP

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Leader Jack Layton who lives in Toronto.

"So maybe start cleaning up the air in your city before you start pointing fingers to the West."

Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall said both provinces have also spent the most per capita on improving gas emissions in both provinces, including spending billions in carbon capture technology.

"Nobody in this country is spending more than the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan, period," said Wall.

If new federal government halts oilsands development, Stelmach warned that it will end foreign investment into Canada, along with driving the country further into debt.

Gang problems in Saskatchewan and Alberta to be tackled together

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INFORMATION Law enforcement agencies across Alberta and Saskatchewan will soon be able to share information with each other in order to curb escalating gang violence in both provinces, its two premiers announced yesterday.

"Sharing information between different police organizations, that's critical," said Premier Ed Stelmach during a joint cabinet meet-

ing with Saskatchewan's government yesterday.

"Gangs don't really respect borders, whether they are provincial or municipal. And our experiences are similar, especially the issues that we have with Hobbema."

Justice ministers from both provinces are planning talks to giving police tools in dealing with the problem, along with making changes in the prison system where gangs are recruiting, said Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall.

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A Conservative candidate running in a Montreal South Shore riding is a past spokeswoman and current member of Opus Dei, a secretive Catholic organization. Nicole Charbonneau Barron, who is running for the Tories in Saint-Bruno-Saint-Hubert, is an active member of the ultra-orthodox society, the Tories confirmed yesterday.

Tory candidate revealed as member of Opus Dei

SOURCE: CBC NEWS ONLINE

Canada

"He has a huge rolodex... and his experience on the Olympic bids is invaluable"

An insider speaking about David Peterson, right, who is expected to chair Toronto's bid for the 2015 Pan Am Games.



Pan Am

Former Ontario premier David Peterson will today be named chair of Toronto's bid for the 2015 Pan Am Games, Torstar News Service has learned.

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Conservatives drop bird-poo ad

Stephen Harper quick to apologize for Tory website

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The Conservative Party has removed an image of a puffin dropping bird-poo on the shoulder of Liberal leader Stéphane Dion after complaints that it was a bit too much of a dirty trick.

A Conservatives' website, <http://notaleader.ca>, showed an animated puffin flying across the screen and plopping a white blob on the shoulder of Dion.

"It was in poor taste, and was removed as soon as it came to the attention of senior campaign officials," said Harper spokesman Kory Teneycke.

Stephen Harper was quick to apologize and the Conservatives changed the



A Conservative website shows an animated puffin flying across the screen and plopping a white blob on the shoulder of Liberal leader Stéphane Dion yesterday.

graphic so that the puffin just flies by Dion without dropping anything.

Dion accepted Harper's

apology and declared: "This is saying more about them than about us."

It was Harper's first gaffe

in a campaign that analysts have called tightly controlled machine so far.

REUTERS

Former PMs agree on climate-change action

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Report calls for...

POLITICS

Barely two days into the federal election campaign, and four former prime ministers have joined a group of Canadians demanding immediate action on climate change, CBC News Online reports.

The group — composed of business people, environmentalists and academics — is calling itself Canadians for Climate Leadership, and will release a document next week entitled

Time To Get Serious on Climate Change. The document has been signed by four former prime ministers, Joe Clark and Kim Campbell, both Progressive Conservatives, and Liberals Paul Martin and John Turner.

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News in brief

FOOD A pilot project is being launched in four Ontario high schools with Food Network cooking show host David Rocco to get kids cooking healthy

stuff. Rocco is developing 16 healthy recipes that focus on nutrition and the importance of buying locally grown food.

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Environment 'bogus' issue: Prof

Says that as with health care, public not ready to pay price for solution

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Environmental stewardship has become the new health care on this season's federal election catwalks.

University of Calgary political scientist Barry Cooper said the two have a lot in common, as their symbolic nature leave no realistic hope for solutions, tugging at the heartstrings of the populace

while over-riding the perceived reality of the situation.

"The environment is about as bogus as health care," Cooper said, noting the power of a 20-year Liberal public relations campaign framing the Medicare issue as intrinsic to who we are has worn off, and the environment issue comes down to who can scream their green virtues louder.

"People get very excited but it's certainly not prac-

"The environment is about as bogus as health care. People get very excited but it's certainly not practical."

U of Calgary political scientist Barry Cooper

tical."

Cooper said society knows the solutions but just doesn't want to face them, citing deleterious economic effects from environmental action and privatizing health care, a possibility he says won't arise for two more elec-

tions.

Calgary and Area Physicians Association past-president Dr. Glenn Comm believes health care has fallen off the radar because previous governments lost their moral authority to talk about it through repeti-

tive inaction.

"Everybody knows it's a problem and I guess it has just reached the point where it's no longer news," Comm said.

It's unfortunate the two issues are being viewed as mutually exclusive, said Health Sciences Association of Alberta president Elisabeth Ballermann, who views both as intimately intertwined.

"I'd hate to see a government who's a one-trick pony," she said.

NDP

Workers claim they were duped

MEETING Desperate laid-off forestry workers said they were tricked into attending NDP Leader Jack Layton's town hall meeting yesterday in Thunder Bay, Ont.

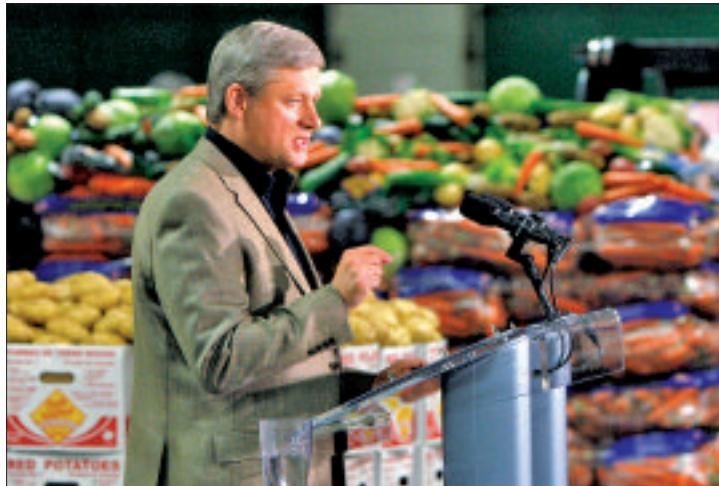
At least five members of the Canadian Energy and Paper Workers union told reporters they were told it was going to be a meeting about benefits.

"I got an e-mail from the union thinking it was a union meeting on severance and EI (Employment Insurance) benefits. When I seen the bus out front I knew there was a politician," said a man who refused to give his name.

However, Allan Pert, a life-long resident of Thunder Bay and laid-off sawmill worker, confirmed he received the same e-mail, which actually came from the CEP action centre, not the local union.

Besides this, Layton was also called on what appeared to be planted questions from the crowd of more than 100 supporters.

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CHRIS WILKINSON/REUTERS

Prime Minister Stephen Harper speaks during a campaign stop yesterday at a vegetable warehouse in Winnipeg.

Rooting out the important issues

Prime Minister Stephen Harper, often criticized for being wooden and humourless, sidestepped what could have been a prickly political question yesterday at an election whistle stop at a vegetable warehouse.

"If you were a vegetable, what type of vegetable

would you be?" a local television reporter asked Harper amid hoots of laughter from other reporters and Conservative Party officials.

Harper appeared to gaze at the neatly piled cabbages, cauliflower and potatoes behind him as he searched for a reply.

"You know, I really don't

know how to answer that question. I've never been asked that question before, and I have a feeling that I can't win by answering it," he said.

"Let me say this. I would choose, if I had to, instead to be a fruit. Just what I am: Sweet and colourful."

REUTERS

Spending

Mayor blasts Harper, Dion

CITIES Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion rolled into Toronto yesterday looking to woo urban voters — and got a blast from Mississauga, Ont., Mayor Hazel McCallion demanding that Ottawa do more to help Canada's cities.

McCallion laid out a chilly welcome mat for the two leaders, telling a Mississauga Board of Trade luncheon that the cash being spent on the election triggered by the Conservatives — some \$297 million — should have been pumped into municipal infrastructure.

Stressing she's non-partisan, McCallion lambasted successive federal governments — Liberal and Conservative — for the fact that Ontario "has been discriminated against for many years."

"There must be change," said McCallion. "Are we going to stand up and make that happen?"

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Issues



David Suzuki

Environment, economy linked

DEBATE Just days into the election campaign, the climate change debate is veering onto the wrong track with suggestions that taking care of the environment could hurt the economy, says David Suzuki. "Let's hope that the economy versus the environment (debate) will not continue, it's not either/or — without the environment there is no economy," Canada's most prominent environmentalist said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

CONCEPT The Liberals' Green Shift environmental plan has often been criticized as too complicated to sell to the public. So Stéphane Dion says he wants to simplify the concept, which is to raise taxes sharply on polluting activities and transfer the money back to Canadians in the form of lower personal and corporate income taxes. "It's very simple: I will give you the Liberal plan in six words," Dion now says. "Cut Income Taxes. Shift To Pollution."

WORDS The Gaelic translation of "Vote Green Party" according to Elizabeth May's brother, is "Vó-tadh Partaídh Uaine." May says "partaídh" is derived from the English word for party but spelled and pronounced differently.

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Keep Alaska gas in U.S., senator says

A U.S. senator has asked the Energy Department to revoke a recent order authorizing energy companies to export liquefied natural gas from Alaska. Democratic Sen. Ron Wyden of Oregon said that with Americans forecast to pay 22 per cent more for natural gas this winter, those supplies need to stay in the U.S. market. **REUTERS**

World



Chided for chaining

European anti-torture investigators said yesterday Macedonia should stop chaining up its prison inmates and do more to fight corruption in its jails. Human rights watchdog the Council of Europe asked the former Yugoslav republic to confirm within a month that chains are no longer used, and follow other recommendations. **REUTERS**

McCain sways white women?

U.S. presidential candidate Barack Obama brushed aside a survey released yesterday that showed him losing support among white women voters to John McCain since Sarah Palin was named his running mate.

A Washington Post/ABC News survey found most of McCain's recent surge in the polls was due to a big shift in support among white women voters.

The poll found the race for the White House is a virtual tie, with Obama at 47 per cent support of registered voters and McCain at 46 per cent.

Before the Democratic convention in late August, Obama held an 8 percentage point lead among

"There is no doubt that Governor Palin attracted a lot of attention this week."

Barack Obama

white women voters. But after the Republican convention, McCain was ahead by 12 points among white women, 53 per cent to 41 per cent.

"There is no doubt that Governor Palin attracted a lot of attention this week," Obama said. "What we're going to have to do is to see how things settle out over the next few weeks when people start examining who's actually going to deliver on the issues that people care about." **REUTERS**

Guatemala 'I have dignity'



A Guatemalan woman protests against "femicide", the systematic killing of women, in Guatemala City yesterday. Police say 438 women have been murdered so far this year.

News in brief

STORM Hurricane Ike moved into the Gulf of Mexico yesterday after causing as much as \$4 million in damage in Cuba this weekend. The storm appears to be heading away from the area's oil fields.

IRAQ All but a handful of 29 U.S. allies in Iraq will pull out of the war over the next 90 days, officials said. About 8,000 U.S. troops will leave by February, with further pullouts up to the next U.S. president. **REUTERS**

Nations back Obama: Poll

ELECTION Barack Obama may be struggling to nudge ahead of John McCain in polls at home, but people around the world want him in the White House, a BBC poll says.

All 22 countries in the poll would prefer to see Obama elected president ahead of McCain. And in 17 of the 22 nations polled, people expect relations between the U.S. and the rest

of the world to improve if Obama wins.

More than 22,000 people were questioned by pollster GlobeScan in countries across Africa, Europe and South America.

The margin in favour of Obama ranged from 9 per cent in India to 82 per cent in Kenya, while an average of 49 per cent preferred Obama compared with McCain's 12 per cent. **REUTERS**

Russia sending warship on Caribbean exercise

MOSCOW Russia said on Monday it would send an armed, nuclear-powered ship to the Caribbean for a joint naval exercise with Venezuela.

Russian officials denied the mission was linked to a standoff with U.S. ships in the Black Sea. Moscow has

criticized the U.S. for sending vessels to Georgia to deliver aid after it was occupied by Russian troops.

A spokesman said the November mission would include the battle cruiser "Peter the Great", one of the world's largest warships. **REUTERS**

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Colombian officials have high hopes U.S. Congress will approve a free trade pact in a "lame duck" session after the Nov. 4 election. **REUTERS**

Thai PM ousted

Samak ordered to quit for hosting cooking show

After seven months of turbulent rule, Thai Prime Minister Samak Sundaravej's passion for hot, spicy food has forced him out of power — only briefly.

The combative 73-year-old politician has survived months of street protests, graft probes, a hostile media, disobedient generals and sniping from the country's revered king.

But he ran foul of the constitution by hosting TV cooking show "Tasting, Grumbling" while in office, a top court ruled yesterday, ordering him to resign because he had worked for a private broadcaster. There was no imme-



An anti-government demonstrator waves the Thai national flag near the Government House in Bangkok yesterday. Following unpopularity Prime Minister Samak Sundaravej's resignation, his party said it would re-elect him within the week.

diate reaction to the verdict from Samak, who only smiled at reporters as he toured a meat and veg-

etable market in northeast Thailand hours before the Constitutional Court ruling.

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Visionary prize-winners

RESEARCH PRIZE Two U.S. researchers whose work could boost efforts to eradicate blindness have won a 1 million euro prize, Portugal's Champalimaud Foundation said yesterday.

Dr. Jeremy Nathans and Dr. King-Wai Yau, both professors at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, share the award for their work on how light is con-

verted into electric signals used by the brain to create vision.

The money will fund the scientists' "ongoing, cutting-edge vision research," the foundation said.

The research may contribute to treatment of potentially blinding diseases as age-related retinal molecular degeneration.

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The video, largely filmed in vast underground caverns along the Franco-Swiss border, explains the high-profile particle accelerator project.

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News in brief

ISRAELI PM The head of the main Jewish settlers organization in the occupied West Bank will not be sorry to see Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert resign in a corruption scandal. Dani Dayan lives outside the barrier Israel is building in the West Bank and is a candidate for removal under the Olmert proposal.

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Business

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WESTJET The Canadian Auto Workers union has begun talks to unionize workers at WestJet Airlines Ltd. **REUTERS**

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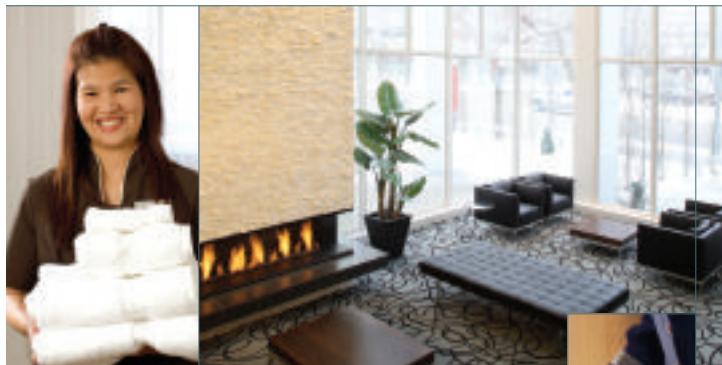
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San Francisco **Apple rocks out**



Apple Inc. CEO Steve Jobs (left) and musician Jack Johnson pose after Apple's "Let's Rock" media event in San Francisco, where Jobs introduced new versions of the popular iPod.

Canada housing market rebounds

Canadian housing starts rebounded in August, beating expectations, but some economists cautioned against reading too much into the number since it followed a weak reading in July.

Housing starts rose 13 per cent in August to a seasonally adjusted annualized rate of 211,000 units from 186,500 units in July, the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. said.

The bulk of the overall gain, which topped the consensus analysts' expectation for 195,000 starts, was in Ontario, where housing starts shot up to 86,500, an 81 per cent jump.

The government-owned CMHC attributed the surge to multiple-unit starts, which shot up 25.2 per cent to 114,700 units following a 20.2 per cent slide in July. **REUTERS**

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Good Vibe-rations

Practicality takes centre stage for Pontiac compact

MICHAEL BANOFSKY



If the Pontiac Vibe was an appetizer, it would be the California Roll – delicious sushi on the inside and yet easy to handle and appealing on the outside.

The Vibe is a product of a General Motors and Toyota alliance. Its sister car is the Toyota Matrix. While underneath, the Vibe utilizes a Toyota platform and engines, the exterior is modern Americana.

There are small differences between the two

content-wise — for instance a Monsoon stereo is only available on the Vibe (and a JBL stereo is exclusive to the Matrix) — but from the driver's seat you would be hard pressed to notice a different driving experience.

Probably the most popular variant will be the Vibe with all-wheel-drive, as its larger engine (2.4-litre 4-cylinder with 158 horsepower) and plastic-lined rear cargo area should make it the most practical for any environment.

From an enthusiast's standpoint, however, I

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wonder how long it'll take a Pontiac engineer to install a turbocharged Ecotec engine into the Vibe.

Inside, again, practicality

takes centre stage. A handy-dandy 115-volt (100W) dash-mounted plug means you'll no longer have to buy separate car chargers for your electronic gizmos. There are cubby holes everywhere, controls fall easily to hand, and the driving position seems to fit a wide range of body types.

Now, the biggest difference between the Vibe and Matrix is on price: the

Vibe starts at \$15,995; the Matrix at \$15,705. Top range models are different altogether: the Vibe GT starts at \$24,995, the Matrix XRS at \$25,220. Transaction prices, though, favour the ever-eager-to-deal Pontiac salespeople — plus any deals the General has cooked up.

So the Vibe is basically a Toyota. I think for North America, re-skinning a winning design to attract universal

2009 Pontiac Vibe

Type: Compact
Price: \$15,995
Engine: 2.4-litre 4-cylinder
HP: 158 horsepower

Highlights

- All wheel drive
- Practical interior
- Affordable pricing



There are cubby holes everywhere, controls fall easily to hand, and the driving position seems to fit a wide range of body types.

Practicality is an admirable strategy. I'm sure the attractive Vibe will sell in spades.

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Massive faith in South Korea

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According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the largest Christian congregation in the world is not located where you might expect it to be. Instead of calling the southern U.S. home, the Yoido Full Gospel Church — which boasts an astonishing 750,000-plus worshippers — can be found just outside Seoul, South Korea.

Though the country is predominantly Buddhist, there is indeed a powerful Christian contingent. Take one look at the exterior of the Yoido Full Gospel Church, and you'll have an idea of its scale.

In fact, it's hard to quell the thought that this red-brick dome topped with a giant cross looks like a stadium, and that I'm headed to a concert rather than a Wednesday morning religious service. Right on cue, a crowd of elderly women move past me in a mad dash to get a good seat.

It seems that despite the size of the venue, the pews fill up quickly, so it's best

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to come early.

In the guts of the building, three floors of seats are placed in a semi-circle facing the stage. All eyes are on a joyous choir singing and swaying to synthesized music. The church is devoid of stained-glass windows religious iconography, but does have several large screens above the stage and camera men panning across the crowd.

The church has a BYOB policy — bring your own bible. But it does provide headphones, which I plug into a little black box offering English, Japanese, Chinese, Spanish, French, Russian, Indonesian and Arabic translations. With patience, I'm able to understand a bit of what retired Rev. David Yonggi Cho is saying.

"Our neighbours in North Korea are suffering. We must care about social problems. They are our brothers, sisters and neighbours. Love your neighbours and love the church with your soul, body and mind," he preaches. Though 72 years old, his voice echoes through the church. The crowd breathes a collective Amen.

Julia Dimon is co-host of Word Travels, airing on OLN, and editor of thetraveljunkie.ca.



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British Airways' intercontinental flights to London will begin using Heathrow's spectacular new Terminal 5 this month and next. The transfer from Terminal 4 was to occur in April, but was put off after T5's opening proved truly chaotic, what with staff shortages; long, long lines at check-in; and hundreds of cancelled and delayed flights. British Airways officials say T5 is operating smoothly now. AVIATION.COM

A weekend in the Windy City

PAUL DAMEN/NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC



The Lurie Garden in Chicago's Millennium Park against part of the city's impressive skyline.

Frank Lloyd Wright, Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, Rem Koolhaas and others.

about the structures.

7:30 p.m. Enjoy a draft beer at the historic Berghoff restaurant, one of the city's oldest, on Adams Street in the Loop.

American Prairie Style architecture and raising six children with his first wife.

1:15 p.m. Lunch on a salad of tomato, mozzarella, basil and balsamic dressing in the Garden Restaurant courtyard at the Art Institute of Chicago.

12:30 p.m. Get a take away lunch at the Tasty Dog on Lake Street and eat in Scoville Park en route to Wright's Unity Temple.

8:30 p.m. Dine on distinctive Chicago-style stuffed or thin-crust pizza at Giordano's on Jackson Boulevard.

The temple was designed in 1905 as a place of worship for the Unitarian Universalist Congregation and has since been designated a U.S. National Historic Landmark.

10:15 p.m. Watch a spectacular fireworks display from the patio of Riva restaurant on Navy Pier, a cultural center originally built as a municipal wharf and used for naval training in World War Two.

2 p.m. Visit and tour the Victorian home where author Ernest Hemingway was born in 1899. The restored Queen Anne-style house was built in 1890 by Hemingway's maternal grandparents.

5:30 p.m. Tour highlights of the art institute galleries before heading outside to wander through nearby Millennium Park and see Anish Kapoor's reflective "Cloud Gate" sculpture shaped like a bean, Jaume Plensa's "Crown Fountain" and architect Frank Gehry's Jay Pritzker Pavilion.

3:30 p.m. Get a take away lunch at the Tasty Dog on Lake Street and eat in Scoville Park en route to Wright's Unity Temple.

9:30 a.m. Take the "Chicago Architecture Foundation River Cruise" tour, which covers such notable areas as the Loop, Hyde Park, the Gold Coast, the lakefront and historic neighborhoods. The tour includes stops at works by such internationally renowned architects as

the author Ernest Hemingway's maternal grandparents.

11 a.m. Tour architect Frank Lloyd Wright's home and studio. Wright lived and worked in the structure from 1889 to 1909, developing his signa-

ture Prairie Style architecture and raising six children with his first wife.

3:30 p.m. Stroll to the Ernest Hemingway Museum and enjoy temporary and permanent exhibitions comprised of memorabilia related to the author's life and career before heading back to the Loop.

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Brokeback tops gay list

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Tori bestseller

Actress Tori Spelling's memoir, *Tori Telling*, has reached the top of the New York Times Nonfiction Bestseller List, according to figures released by the national newspaper. **E! NEWS ONLINE**

Post-Oscar flops

Some filmmakers fail to follow up on success

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Some critics are downright disheartened by *Burn After Reading* — the Coen Brothers' highly-anticipated follow-up to *No Country for Old Men*.

Todd McCarthy of Variety even called it a "film that feels misjudged from the opening scene and thereafter." That's pretty surprising for the subsequent effort to last year's Academy Award-winning Best Film. Isn't it?

Well, not exactly.

While no one is slotting *Burn After Reading* in the same category as say, *Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2*, the quirky comedy could

still prove that winning an Academy Award does not always guarantee a director will go on to make an immediate masterpiece.

Take John Madden for instance, who followed-up his award-winning romantic-drama *Shakespeare in Love* with the dreary Nicolas Cage adaptation of Captain Corelli's *Mandolin*. And don't forget filmmaker Rob Marshall who won the Oscar for *Chicago* only to let movie fans down with *Memoirs of a Geisha* two years later.

These are just two critically-praised filmmakers who failed to follow-up their statuettes with a masterful flick.

In 1985, filmmaker Sydney Pollack took Robert

Redford *Out of Africa* and transported him to stinky Havana. The huge 1990 epic was a bust both at the box office and with critics.

Peter Travers of Rolling Stone wrote, "You expect more of stars Robert Redford and Lena Olin, director Sydney Pollack and a \$40 million budget than an uncredited and unpalatable rehash of *Casablanca*."

Yikes! That's a long road from standing behind the winner's podium at the Oscars show.

Perhaps the biggest post-Oscar flop has come courtesy of none other than Ron Howard. Skilled as he is behind the camera, after taking home the big prize for 2001's *A Beautiful Mind*, the actor-turned-auteur



Ethan and Joel Coen review a take with actor George Clooney on the set of *Burn After Reading*, which opens on Friday.

came up with *The Missing*.

With a budget of \$65 million, the Tommy Lee Jones/Cate Blanchett thriller was a huge post-Oscar disappointment, earning less than half its budget back. It seems the only thing really missing was a follow-up movie that an audience was hungry to see.

Whether *Burn After Reading* will fall under the same

curse that *The Missing* did is yet to be determined, but perhaps that doesn't even concern the Coens.

Instead, maybe the brothers share the theory of journalist Herbert B. Swope who once said, "I cannot give the formula for success, but I can give you the formula of failure — which is try to please everybody."



Oprah Winfrey

Oprah Winfrey to guest on *30 Rock*

TV Oprah Winfrey will be starring in an upcoming episode of hit U.S. comedy *30 Rock*, imdb.com/reports.

The media titan was earlier this month rumoured to be making a guest appearance on the show.

Alec Baldwin, who stars in the comedy, confirms she will be on the series. "Yes, Jennifer Aniston and Oprah (will be on the show). What more do you want? We're only on episode four!" he said.

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Noth wants Sex filmed in London

MOVIES Sex And The City star Chris Noth wants the sequel to the hit movie to be filmed in Noth London, imdb.com/reports.

The film version of the popular TV show hit the big screen earlier this year and there are already rumours that movie bosses are planning a followup. Noth insists the New York-based show would translate well if it moved to London for a sequel.

Lopez set to join Project Runway

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	4	CBXT	-	307	Coronation St.	Jeopardy! (N)	Little Mosque	Sophie (HDTV)	Finding Body and Soul	The Hour		
	6	KREM	-	372	News (N)	Hollywood	The Doctors	Greatest American Dog	Criminal Minds (HDTV)	CSI: NY		
	7	CKEM	241	347	Law & Order: SVU	Hell's Kitchen	Secret Life of American Teen	Friends	Friends	Your City		
	8	CITV	240	339	ET Canada	Wipeout (N)	Bones (HDTV PA) (N)	NCIS (N)	News Hour			
	12	CBXFT	119	705	Virginia (SC)	L'Epicerie	Le Match des étoiles (N) (SC)	Tour Pour Un (N) (SC)	Le Téléjournal (N) (SC)	TJ Alberta		
	13	KXLY	-	371	News	News	Entertainment	The Insider	Supernanny	20-20: Not Like		
	16	KAYU	-	373	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Bones (HDTV PA) (N)	'Til Death	Do Not Disturb	News (N)
	19	CHTV	-	-	The Insider	E! News	Kate Hudson: Hollywood	Greatest American Dog	Deal or No Deal	News (N)		
	22	KSPS	-	374	NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Great Performances (N)	Encore! With	Celtic Thunder				
	24	WTVS	-	364	Great Performances "Pavarotti: A Life in Seven Arias"	Motor City Celebrities	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose (N)				
	15	CBCN	502	-	CBC News: The National	Monarchy: The Royal Family	CBC News: The National	CBC News: The National	Monarchy			
	21	TWN	506	398	(5) EarthWatch One	EarthWatch One	EarthWatch Two					
	27	CNN	500	390	Larry King Live	Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)		Larry King Live	Cooper 360			
	54	CTV	501	391	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News	CTV Newsnet	News		
	70	BNN	504	508	Squeeze Play	Market Call	Headline	Market Call	Commodities	Business News	Squeeze Play	
	20	TNN	400	400	(6) MLB Baseball	Toronto Blue Jays at Chicago White Sox.	SportsCentre	World Extreme Cagefighting (HDTV)				
	23	net	408	418	Best Damn Sports Show	World Poker Tour	Canadian Motocross	Sportline Connected	Ult. Fighter			
	47	SPEED	417	406	Pinks (HDTV)	Pinks Outtakes	Wrecked	Pinks (HDTV)	Pass Time	Am. Thunder	Am. Thunder	Pinks (HDTV)
94	SCORE	410	403	(5)	RaceNight	Score Tonight	Final Score	Final Score	Final Score	Final Score	Final Score	Sports Rage
	9	EDACCC	267	351	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	America's Next Top Model (N)	Magic of the Dance	Dancers perform to Irish music.				Help TV
	14	YTV	552	543	Drake & Josh	Malcolm-Mid.	Home Improve.	Prank Patrol	Futurama	Prank Patrol	Mystery Hint.	Adrenaline Proj.
	17	TREE	553	546	Little Bear	Comfy Couch	Rolie Polie Olie	Beren. Bears	Babar	Backyardigans	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!
	42	TOON	575	545	World of Quest	George-Jungle	Bugs Bunny & Tweety Show	6teen	Total Drama	Futurama	The Critic (N)	
	45	FAM	557	541	Zoey 101	Life Derek	Wizards-Place	That's-Raven	Natural-Sadie	Han. Montana	Life Derek	Ned's School
	-	TVA	121	714	TVA 18 heures	Le Cercle (SC)	Qui a tué?	Poule-oeufs or	Destinées (N) (SC)	Lise Dion 20 ans de carrière		TVA 22 heures
	18	CMT	575	583	Reba	Hope & Faith	Home Improve.	Rascal Flatts: Melt		Reba	Hope & Faith	Home Improve.
	25	A&E	615	520	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Cris Angel	Cris Angel	Cris Angel	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter
	26	MMI	571	581	Listed	Brooke Knows	Where You At	Party of Five	Brooks Knows	Revival	Party of Five	
	29	FOOD	603	561	Iron Chef America	Italian Escape	Italian Escape	Challenge	Iron Chef America			Italian Escape
	31	SHOW	617	522	Wife Swap	Kink in Hair	Kink in Hair	Billable Hours	Billable Hours	Durham County	The Riches (N)	
	32	DISC	520	505	Sport Science	Mayday "Mixed Signals"	Daily Planet		MythBusters		Cash Cab	
	33	SLICE	601	562	Work Out	Inside Hollywood	X-Weighted "Sharla"	Work Out				Inside Hollywood
	34	W	602	567	Shopping Bags	Style by Jury	Will & Grace	Friends	Grocery Bag	What You Eat	Supersize vs. Superskinny (N)	Gok's Fashion
	35	TLC	521	560	Jon & Kate	Lottery Changed My Life II	Word Travels	Globe Guides	Reel Insight	What Happen?	Man on Train	
	36	BRAVO	620	523	Wingfield	The Letters	Arts & Minds	The Achievers	Law & Order "Divorce"	Without a Trace		
	38	SPIKE	628	584	UFC Unleashed	UFC Unleashed			CSI: Crime Scene Investigation	Trek: Voyager		
	40	HIST	522	506	Captain Blair Conspiracy	NCIS "Sandblast"	Crime Stories		Cities of the Underworld	Dig for Truth		
	41	COM	626	547	Laughs	Comedy Now	Air Force	Just for Laughs	Corner Gas	The Simpsons	South Park	Lewis Black
	43	SPACE	627	528	Battlestar Galactica	Ghost Hunters International	Stargate SG-1 (DVS)	Lost "Tabula Rasa"				Deep Space 9
	44	WPCH	294	650	(6) <i>Absolute Power</i> (1997, Suspense)	Seinfeld	Friends	Friends	Frasier			Absolute
	46	OLN	411	457	(6) <i>The Real Lost World</i>	Word Travels	Globe Guides	Pilot Guides	Don't Forget Your Passport			Lost World
	48	TROP	619	525	Reality	Ad Persuasion	Beverly Hills, 90210	Reality	Family Guy	Seinfeld		
	50	STAR	621	527	Live at eTalk	Live at eTalk	The Tonight Show-Jay Leno	TMZ	eTalk	The Ellen DeGeneres Show (N)	Hollywood	
	52	HGTV	700	564	Property Virgin	Unsellable	Flipping Out "The Flip Side"	Holmes-Homes	Holmes-Homes	Property Shop	Big City Broker	Property Virgin
	65	TNN	700	500	La Figlia di Elisa Ritoro	Raymond	Raymond	George Lopez	George Lopez	The Sopranos (SS)	David Rocco	
	93	VISION	261	394	Darling Buds of May (N)	Canadian Geographic		Reel Insight	The Journey Dallas Sooniias.	Tribal Treks		
	100	MTV	581	566	From G's to Gents	Enigma		Hope Island	Chambers	No Place Like	Darling Buds	
	101	MM	570	580	MTV Video Music Awards	Run's House	Buzzin	MTV Live	After	From G's to Gents	Run's House	
	102	CPC	512	596	Question Period	Punk'd	Born to Be	disBand	Technical Diff.	Punk'd	America's Top Pop Group	
	103	CLT	526	507	(6) <i>Agnes Browne</i>	Revue Politique Headlines.		Primetime Politics	Question Period	Hse-Commons		
	105	TV5	145	761	(6:30) <i>Fanfan</i> *** (1992)	Mysterious Ways	Judging Amy	America in the Fifties	Creation pub - Le Meilleur de	Agnes Browne		
	106	RDI	126	730	Le Téléjournal (SC)	Vivre à vélo	Festivals	Journal TV5	Hép! Taxi			
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critics' corner

The Berkeley Sessions

No, not the California university. This new series is a showcase for musical performances at Toronto's Berkeley Church, an imposing yet intimate venue for all kinds of special events. The opener features indie rocker Joel Plaskett performing with his dad, Bill, a veteran of the Nova Scotia folk scene. 6 PM on BRAVO



Cash Cab

It's "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" in a moving vehicle! Really. As the titular taxi cruises the streets of Toronto, the driver, comedian Adam Grawe, asks passengers questions. Correct answers earn the rider money, but three wrong answers and he or she is out. The allure of this program is that it educates viewers with challenging questions like "What country borders Uzbekistan to the west?" and "Why hasn't the talking driver crashed yet?" 6 PM on DISC

The actress is lined up to be on the judging panel on the deciding show of the series on Friday, according to Usmagazine.com. Judge Nina Garcia has hinted at the actress' participation. "The guest star is one of the most iconic women around." **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



Actor Gael Garcia Bernal and actress Dolores Fonzi are expecting a boy. "It's a chico! A boy!" he told People. **PEOPLE.COM**

Boy for Bernal

Celebrity Buzz

Driver gives birth to boy

MOTHERHOOD Minnie Driver became a first-time mom to son Henry Story Driver, People.com reports her rep as saying.

The baby was born Friday in Los Angeles and weighed 9 lbs., 12 oz., rep Jessica Kolstad says.

Driver, 38, who has not revealed the identity of the father, has said that the dad will be involved in the baby's life.

"He's going to be a dad so, yeah, he's going to be there for the kid," she said. "I'm not getting married to this person and I don't know what's going to happen but

everyone is cool about the situation."

As the new mom takes on her most important role yet, Driver says she is looking forward to simply observing and spending time with her child.

"Babies are endlessly fascinating to look at and I'm obsessed about their complete and utter lack of guile. I'm looking forward to seeing life through the eyes of my own kid."

She also says she plans on spending lots of time hanging out at the beach with her child.

"I love the ocean and this baby will probably be surfing and swimming before it can walk."

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Kids changed Damon

CHILDREN Actor Matt Damon loves that he's become a dad again, because his new baby daughter has opened up his heart, imbd.com reports.

Damon's wife Luciana Barroso gave birth to the couple's second child, Gia Zavala Damon, last month.

"It probably influences me in ways I'm not even

aware of," Damon said. "I think certainly once you have kids it's hard not to see your child in every other child that you meet. And when you see the way a lot of children live in the world it makes you very angry as a parent."

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celebrity brief

Child star points blame at family

HEALTH Former child star Corey Feldman blames his parents for pushing him into acting at an early age, and reportedly holds them responsible for his troubled life, imbd.com reports.

"It wasn't the industry's fault, it was my parents' — they should have been more responsible and laid the groundwork for me to build a healthy adult life," Feldman says. "I was 17 and already I'd become a joke to some people."

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O'Connell sorry for gaffe

RELATIONSHIPS Jerry O'Connell admits he made a big mistake, People.com reports.

The star of the new sitcom *Do Not Disturb* is apologizing to wife Rebecca Romijn — who is pregnant with twin girls — for joking about her size when he appeared on a late-night talk show recently.

"I regret calling my wife

"huge" on *Conan O'Brien*," O'Connell says. "I meant to say that there are specific areas of my wife that are larger than normal and growing every day. All other portions of my wife are quite petite. I apologize to her and will be coming home with flowers."

O'Connell, 34, and Romijn, 36, who will appear on *Ugly Betty* again this fall, expect their daughters this winter.

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celebrity brief

Simpson excited for pregnant sis

FAMILY Jessica Simpson can't wait for her sister Ashlee to give birth, usmagazine.com reports.

"I'm going to spoil the kid rotten, that's for sure," she says. "I think my sister's going to be pretty strict, actually,

because she's been so good throughout her pregnancy."

She denies that Ashlee and her husband Pete Wentz will be on double diaper duty this fall. "Definitely not twins!" Jessica says.

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

Jerry O'Connell says he made a big mistake on *Conan O'Brien*'s show when he joked about the size of **Rebecca Romijn**, who is expecting the couple's twins.

This statement shows Jerry is a master of the understatement. Apparently, his *Secret Identity* is being a huge idiot. It's hard to believe anyone with such a poor grasp of the female psyche ever got close enough to one to get her pregnant.

Jerry needs to read the pregnancy book I wrote especially for celebrity fathers-to-be. It's called *Celebspawn: Anticipating the Arrival* Your Craven Publicist's *Future Pawns*. In it, Jerry will learn many women are apt to feel self-conscious about their size while pregnant, and may be sensitive to remarks you make about it on, say, national television. He will learn nicknames like Goodyear, Earthball and H.R. Puffinstuff are rarely appreciated. He'll learn the three stages of celebrity pregnancy are gestation, childbirth, and negotiation with People Magazine for the photo rights. And lastly, Jerry will learn that if he doesn't let her cool down, the flowers he brings home will also be his dinner. I believe it was Shakespeare who wrote, "Hell hath no fury like a pregnant woman mocked on *Conan*."

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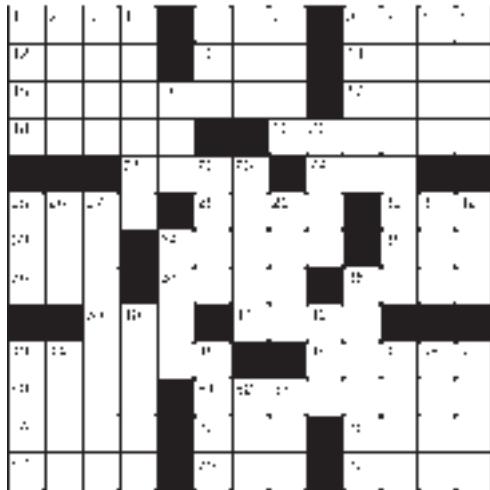
George not godfather material?

Brad Pitt is shooting down rumours that fellow actor George Clooney is the godfather of his twins Knox and Vivienne. "No, he hates children," Pitt joked to Extra. USMAGAZINE.COM



entertainment 19

Take Five



Crossword down

1 Probability
2 Bride's accessory
3 Otherwise
4 Well
5 Auto
6 Affix
7 Fence part
8 Perfect
9 Reveal
10 Sea eagle
11 Progeny
16 Mimic
20 Start over
22 Yellow-flowered shrub
23 Dark, as twilight
25 Big fib
26 Intend
27 Find

29 Reverberate
31 Teensy
32 Toddler's perch
34 "Consarn it!"
38 Facial growths
40 Biscotti flavor
42 Fabled flier
43 Run-down part of the city
44 Mexican money
45 Advantage
47 Blue shade
48 Blood (Pref.)
49 Flight component
52 Squid fluid
53 Seek damages

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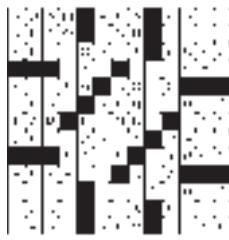
Crossword across

1 Microwave, e.g.
5 Upper limit
8 Mid-month date
12 Sandwich shop
13 Ruckus
14 Catastrophic
15 Tosses out
17 Slave to crosswords?
18 Insomniac's need
19 Found the source of
21 Unchaste
24 Right angle

25 "— and the Tramp"
28 Coloured
30 One who gives a hoot?
33 Midafternoon, on a sun-dial
34 "Saturday Night Fever" venue
35 Vast expanse
36 Type squares
37 Egyptian cross
38 Honk
39 Sardines container

41 Bygone times
43 Moocher
46 Dirty words
50 Jeans-maker Strauss
51 Unobtrusive
54 Works with
55 Wildebeest
56 Knighted woman
57 Oliver Twist's request
58 — out a living
59 Feed the hogs

previous day's answer



Horoscopes

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20



Make a decision and you stand your ground. A new adventure will be a no-win situation. A naive person will be getting ahead.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21



Snooping and sarcasm will cause problems. Flee when a finicky man gets into a snit. A woman reveals some pleasant news.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21



Management won't allow you to be too thrilling. An anxious person will be very annoying. When you want something enough, you'll grab it.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22



Ancient wisdom will come in handy. A missing object is responsible for painful memories. Seek guidance when a relationship causes turmoil.

LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23



Somebody's diplomatic tactics will be tested. Only you can manage a visionary idea. An elder will surface after spending time with a friend.

VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22



There'll be happy hours spent with strangers. Your chances of making a fresh start will increase. You'll be flustered when a remark is overheard.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20



Obey the dictates of your conscience. Set out your talents for the whole world to see. Be polite when asked for your opinion.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18



Your natural traits will bring in a surprise. Intense moments are shared with a friend. Cherish today and don't worry about tomorrow.

PISCES

FEB 19-MAR 20



Concentrate on avoiding a stumbling block. You'll attract attention when you take a rest. Make plans to get help when a visitor arrives.

Sudoku

			5							6	8
6	8									7	
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previous day's answer

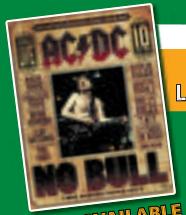
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5	3	9	2	8	1	4	6	7
4	8	7	6	9	3	1	5	2
6	1	4	7	2	5	8	9	3
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13-17 min. Scholar
Under 13 min. Genius

21-25 min. Not bad
25+ min. Keep practising

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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:
Under 13 min. Genius

13-17 min. Scholar
17-21 min. Smart

21-25 min. Not bad
25+ min. Keep practising

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Afternoon



Sunny.
16°

Tonight



Clear.
Low 7°

Thursday



Sunny.
22°/ 8°

Friday



Partly
cloudy.
16°/ 4°

Saturday



Sunny.
17°/ 4°

Temperature
Normals

High: 17.9°

Low: 5.1°

Records

High: 28.9°/1944

Low: -5°/1890

Sunrise: 6:59 a.m.

Sunset: 8:00 p.m.

Moonset: 12:56 a.m.

Moonrise: 6:28 p.m.

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